Information:

Pursuant to KRS 164.020(18), the Council on Postsecondary Education can receive new academic program proposals during calendar year 2000 from 18 of 22 postsecondary education institutions – either through automatic eligibility or the waiver process as provided in 13 KAR 2:060, *Policy on Degree Program Approval; Equal Opportunity Goals*.

Administrative regulation 13 KAR 2:060 sets forth the procedures to be used to determine institutional status (eligible to submit or postpone approval). The administrative regulation lists the degree program eligibility status that may result from data analysis. In accordance with 13 KAR 2:060, an institution that fails to make the necessary progress to gain automatic eligibility is eligible for a one-year waiver.

The process for evaluating institutional progress in implementing the various objectives of *The Kentucky Plan* adopted by the Council is "continuous progress" as the determining element of institutional success in implementing each specific measurable objective. Continuous progress means that an institution shows an increase in the number of students or employees over the previous year for each category or objective.

The *Kentucky Plan* is intended to provide oversight and to guide equal opportunity initiatives over the next five years. When the plan was adopted, the CEO and the Council agreed that, for purposes of establishing degree program eligibility status, the Council staff would evaluate and provide a report certifying institutional progress at the January Council meeting.

SUMMARY OF DEGREE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY STATUS

| Eligibility Category | Community | Colleges | Universities | | Total | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|----------|--------------|------|-------|------|
| | 2000 | 1999 | 2000 | 1999 | 2000 | 1999 |
| Automatic | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 12 | 10 |
| Quantitative Waiver | 4 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 6 |
| Qualitative Waiver | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Not Eligible | 4 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| Total | 14 | 14 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 22 |
| Inst. Granted Waivers | | 4 | | 3 | | 7 |

INSTITUTIONAL DEGREE PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY CALENDAR YEAR 1999

The eligibility status of the institutions is determined through the application of the administrative regulation (13 KAR 2:060). The status of each institution:

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

| Institution | Objectives Showing Continuous Progress | Total Objectives Evaluated | Degree Program Eligibility Status | |
|------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | 2000 | 1999 |
| Ashland CC | 2 | 4 | Quantitative | Not Eligible |
| Elizabethtown CC | 3 | 4 | Automatic | Automatic |
| Hazard CC | 2 | 4 | Quantitative | Quantitative |
| Henderson CC | 3 | 4 | Automatic | Automatic |
| Hopkinsville CC | 3 | 4 | Automatic | Not Eligible |
| Jefferson CC | 4 | 4 | Automatic | Automatic |
| Lexington CC | 4 | 4 | Automatic | Automatic |
| Madisonville CC | 2 | 4 | Not Eligible | Quantitative |
| Maysville CC | 2 | 4 | Not Eligible | Quantitative |
| Owensboro CC | 2 | 4 | Quantitative | Not Eligible |
| Paducah CC | 2 | 4 | Not Eligible | Quantitative |
| Prestonsburg CC | 3 | 4 | Automatic | Not Eligible |
| Somerset CC | 2 | 4 | Not Eligible | Qualitative |
| Southeast CC | 2 | 4 | Quantitative | Automatic |

Notes:

Community colleges have four equal opportunity objectives.

Automatic eligibility equals continuous progress in 3 of 4 objectives.

Quantitative waiver equals continuous progress in 2 of 4 objectives and no new academic programs submitted to CPE under the waiver provisions during the 1999 calendar year.

Qualitative waiver equals continuous progress in fewer than 2 of 4 objectives and no new academic programs submitted to CPE under the waiver provisions during the 1999 calendar year.

UNIVERSITIES

| Institution | Objectives Showing Continuous Progress | Total Objectives Evaluated | Degree Program Eligibility Status | |
|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | 2000 | 1999 |
| Eastern Kentucky Univ. | 5 | 8 | Quantitative | Automatic |
| Kentucky State Univ. | 5 | 7 | Automatic | Automatic |
| Morehead State Univ. | 8 | 8 | Automatic | Automatic |
| Murray State Univ. | 6 | 8 | Automatic | Automatic |
| Northern Kentucky Univ. | 6 | 8 | Automatic | Quantitative |
| University of Kentucky | 5 | 8 | Quantitative | Automatic |
| University of Louisville | 6 | 8 | Automatic | Qualitative |
| Western Kentucky Univ. | 6 | 8 | Automatic | Quantitative |

Notes:

Universities (except Kentucky State University) have eight equal opportunity objectives. Kentucky State University has seven objectives (the objective related to Enrollment of Graduate Students does not apply to KSU).

Automatic eligibility equals continuous progress in 6 of 8 objectives. KSU is 5 of 7 objectives.

Quantitative waiver equals continuous progress in 5 of 8 objectives and no new academic programs granted by CPE under the waiver provisions during calendar year 1999. KSU is 4 of 7 objectives.

Qualitative waiver equals continuous progress in fewer than 5 of 8 objectives and no new academic programs granted by CPE under the waiver provisions during calendar year 1999. KSU is fewer than 4 of 7 objectives.